

State of California, Department of Industrial Relations
Division of Workers' Compensation
Workers' Compensation Information System (WCIS)

TABLE 16c. Timeliness of Temporary Disability Payment Number of Days between DATE DISABILITY BEGAN and DATE OF FIRST INDEMNITY PAYMENT

Report Year	Total Claims (a)	Total (TD) Indemnity (b)	Total Valid Indemnity (c)	Median Days (d)	Average Days (e)	% Payment 0-14 Days (f)	% Payment 15-21 Days (g)	% Payment 22-28 Days (h)	% Payment >28 Days (i)
2004	752,331	121,362	64,937	16	91	47%	14%	8%	32%
2005	713,472	111,924	67,483	13	84	55%	11%	6%	28%
2006	688,293	105,174	58,437	14	85	51%	12%	6%	30%
2007	647,480	103,329	57,271	15	85	50%	12%	7%	31%
2008	605,019	97,768	55,216	14	79	50%	13%	7%	29%
2009	531,485	89,802	52,877	14	87	51%	13%	6%	30%
2010	521,671	89,157	51,850	14	77	53%	13%	6%	28%
2011	509,793	88,770	51,563	14	72	54%	13%	6%	28%
2012	526,677	92,025	55,919	14	70	53%	12%	6%	29%
2013	534,233	94,292	56,674	14	61	52%	12%	7%	29%
2014	553,443	97,541	57,337	14	50	54%	12%	7%	27%
2015	550,600	96,020	57,280	13	39	56%	12%	7%	25%
2016	365,507	50,994	29,237	13	26	59%	14%	7%	20%

Notes:

- (1) Denials, acquired claims, and claims without Date Reported to Claim Administrator (DN 41) are excluded from Total Claims (Column a).
- (2) Total Indemnity Claims (Column b) are defined as those claims with benefit payments for temporary disability (TD) made during the reporting period, with the following WCIS categories for Payment/Adjustment Code (DN 85): Temporary Total (050); Temporary Total Catastrophic (051); and Temporary Partial (070).
- (3) Total Valid Indemnity Claims (Column c) are the counts of claims with valid values in both Date Disability Began (DN 56) and Date of First Indemnity Payment. Claims with a valid Late Reason Code (DN 77) are excluded. Claims with reported Full Salary (MTC = FS) prior to an Initial Payment (MTC = IP) are also excluded.
- (4) The percentage of claims with an 'IP' during each period (Columns f-i).
- (5) Date of first indemnity payment is defined as the MTC date for the first claim event of 'IP' that contains an indemnity benefit type code with an amount greater than 0.